

PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64374

Stein Ove DØSKELAND et al.

Appln. No.: 09/831,108

Group Art Unit: 1641

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Examiner: Nelson C. Yang

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For: ASSAY FOR PHOSPHATASE - TARGETING TOXINS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the telephonic interview conducted on November 9, 2005 between Examiner Yang and Applicants' representative, Mark Hayman:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) has not been received.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
2. Identification of claims discussed: All.
3. Identification of art discussed: Maggio, Holmes, Sikorska and Matsuura.
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Discussed amendments to

facilitate examination, such as limiting the application to competitive assay format and limiting the first ligand to a protein phosphatase enzyme.

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5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Applicants' representative asserted that none of Maggio and Holmes, Sikorska and Holmes, and Matsuura and Holmes combine to make the present invention.

6. Results of Interview: While no agreement was reached, the Examiner indicated that more particularly reciting the assay format may advance prosecution. The Examiner also acknowledged that the section 102 rejections were intended to be section 103 rejections.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

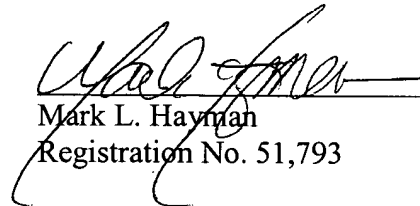
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